

## CAUGHT CRABBING IN VIRGINIA WATERS

Captain Hudgins Brings Two  
Barges to Onancock for  
Condemnation.

### MR. GEORGE PHILLIPS MISSING

Leaves Directions About Disposition of Property Which  
Suggest Suicide.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
ONANCOCK, Va., December 24.—The steamer Rappahannock, of the Virginia oyster fleet, arrived Sunday night, towing two barges belonging to citizens of Maryland, captured some weeks ago crabbng in Virginia waters. They were turned over to the sheriff of Accomack county for condemnation proceedings. Saturday last, in the Potomac River, above Cedar Point, Captain Hudgins, of the Rappahannock, caught the schooner Wm. E. James taking oysters in the rough. A fine of \$50 was imposed and paid.

Captain Charles E. Bobbitt, Jr., has contracted to deliver the boiler and engine of the steamer Wicomico, recently sunk and abandoned in Tom's Cove, near Chincoteague Inlet, to Potomac City, Md., for the sum of \$2,000. If successful in this he will undertake to float the hulk.

Mr. George E. Phillips, a worthy and respected young man, left his home near Wachapreague Thursday last, and has not been heard from since. Notes left, directing the disposition of his property and of his child, indicate suicide. No reason can be assigned for his strange course.

Oysters on the ocean side, south of Chincoteague, are quite poor, and the shipments are smaller than usual. The plants in Chincoteague are in fair condition. Shipments at that point last week reached 1,000 barrels per day.

Mr. Jno. W. Taylor will rebuild his sawmill and cannery factory at Hallwood, recently destroyed by fire. A Christmas mauling for the horses is promised on the Taylor track, beginning at 1:30 P. M.

As usual, at this season, the farmers are boasting of their big bags. The largest so far reported weighed 1,019 pounds; the next, by Mr. W. W. Bondick, of Parkley, 818 pounds. The best pen of five, was by Mr. V. T. Bradford, of Parkley, with an aggregate weight of 2,343 pounds.

The following officers have been elected by Chesapeake Lodge, No. 158, A. F. & A. M., for the ensuing year: Oscar L. Powell, W. M.; John W. Duncan, S. W.; Jno. H. Beachboard, J. W.; J. C. Van Pelt, secretary; E. F. Warren, treasurer; James P. Parks, S. D.; Thos. M. Hutchinson, J. D.; G. Kellam, tier; Rev. J. K. Goode, chaplain.

### HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Teachers, Pupils and Others Who Have  
Come to Pamplin.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
PAMPLIN CITY, Va., December 24.—The following young people have come home to visit their relatives and friends here and in the vicinity during the Christmas holidays: Misses Kate Franklin, who is teaching music in Fayetteville, N. C., and the same at Glen-Jean, W. Va.; Professor Elvin S. Ligon, of Richmond College Academy, by his wife and her sister, Miss Dickey, from Bristol; Miss Adeline Cunningham and her sister, Miss May, teaching, respectively, at Prince Edward and Loudoun counties; Miss Ollie Jennings, who teaches at Blacksburg; Miss Annie Jennings, in Charlotte, N. C.; Misses Mary and Janet, of Richmond, and wife and E. M. Terry, of Fairfax, Va.; Miss Elsie Morton, who is attending the High School of Lynchburg; Misses Flossie Thornton, Ruth Rice, Janie Harwood and Josie Warren, of the Normal School, Farmville; Minnie Thornton, of the Methodist Institute, of Danville, bringing with her Miss Wood, of Mississippi, from the same school, and Miss Hannah Warren, of Richmond; besides Robert Thornton, who is attending school at Bedford Academy; Elmer Morton, of Lynchburg High School, and Sterling Woody, of Crockett.

Rev. J. H. Franklin, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Franklin of this place, pastor of the First Baptist Church, of Colorado Springs, though having at first declined the offer or call to the presidency of the Baptist Woman's College at Denver, has been so prevailed upon as to accept the position.

Mr. L. M. Warren, cashier of the State Bank of Pamplin, who received a telegram yesterday telling him of the death of his aged grandmother, Mrs. Warren Morris, at Onancock, Va., left last night to attend her burial.

Mr. J. D. Thornton is acting in his place at the bank until his return Wednesday.

Mr. J. E. Fleischman, of Philadelphia, son of Mrs. P. P. Pankey, of this place, and a former resident, died recently at his home of paralysis.

Rev. P. T. Warren, who has been acting pastor for the Evergreen Baptist Church for more than a year and who has been instrumental in gathering funds to aid in erecting a church office there is the recipient of a large box filled with good things for his table, and other useful articles for himself and family.



### Any Slip-Up

About Christmas--an unexpected present that must be returned or some gift that wasn't quite appropriate--can be remedied HERE.

Our holiday stock is still full of splendid suggestions for a New Year's remembrance and the prices are remarkably low.

\$1 and \$1.50 Mufflers, 79c.

\$5 and \$6 Umbrellas, \$3.75.

\$5.00 Children's Reefers, \$3.45.

\$1.50 Neckwear, 89c.

## JACOBS & LEVY REDUCE NUMBER OF SALOONS IN NORFOLK

Earnest Fight On to Cut Them  
Down One-Half and Increase License.

### FIGHT FOR SUPERINTENDENT

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
NORFOLK, Va., December 24.—The fight for the limitation of the number of saloons in Norfolk to twenty-five in the interest of the city, and for one of the hottest campaigns ever waged here.

The Anti-Saloon League announces that it will join forces with the Sunday school of the city in the crusade, and that orators will stump the city in the interest of the movement. Members of the Council now holding office think there should be a reduction in the number of saloons, although they will not commit themselves to the number that should be privileged.

The Saloon Men and Liquor Dealers' Association, it is understood, will fight the proposed interference with their business, although many of them desire and will not oppose the closing of places of doubtful character. However, it is believed that they will line up solidly against the proposition as a general policy.

A further complication is the proposition to double the present saloon license, so that the city will get the same revenue from 75 to 150 that is now secured from 200.

County politicians are already agog over the successor of Captain John T. West, as County School Superintendent. It is expected that a hot fight will be waged for the coveted position. Two candidates are already mentioned for the plum—Frank Portlock, road contractor, from Washington District, and T. J. Fentress, principal of the Huntersville School. It is expected that other candidates will enter the field. The State Board of Education makes the appointment.

Justice Simmons, in the Police Court today, heard evidence and arguments in the cases against the illicit auction sales operators, charged with doing business without a license. The defendants claim that the city license of \$100 per day is prohibitive, and therefore unconstitutional. They stand ready to pay the ordinary auctioneer's license fee. Justice Simmons took the case under advisement, announcing that he would render his decision Thursday. In the meantime the places are doing business.

Literary Entertainment at Galax.  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
GALAX, Va., December 24.—The entertainment at the High School Building Friday evening, given by the Calla Vista and Zetalethean Literary Societies, was well attended, and was a very enjoyable affair. It reflected much credit upon the faculty and pupils of this new, but promising, institution. A very high grade of pupils is in attendance this year and the enrollment is steadily increasing.

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## GREAT CHURCH BUILDER DEAD

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
HICKORY, N. C., December 24.—Rev. W. R. Gwaltney, pastor of the First Baptist Church here, who died last week at the advanced age of seventy-three years, was known throughout North Carolina as "The Great Church-Builder of the State." Dr. Gwaltney was one of the best-known and most-beloved ministers in the Baptist denomination. He was born in Alexander county, N. C., in 1834; entered Wake Forest College as a student in 1850, and remained one year, till the suspension of the college on account of the outbreak of the Civil War. He was ordained to the full use of the ministry at Taylorsville, N. C., in 1863; served as chaplain in the First North Carolina Infantry, C. S. A., during the Civil War, and was killed at Forest College in 1865, taking his degree from that institution in 1867. His first pastorate was at Hillsboro, N. C., where he served from 1867-1872, then successively at Mocksville, from 1872-1876; Winston, 1876-1877; Second Baptist Church, Raleigh, 1877-1885; Greensboro, 1885-1890; Wake Forest, 1890-1897, from which place he went to Hickory and closed up his great life-work, passing peacefully to his ward last Saturday night after a few weeks' illness.

Bride on Christmas Eve.  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
GORDONVILLE, Va., December 24.—Mr. Gatewood Hoffman, junior member of the firm of Hoffman & Brothers, who conducted a meat market at this place, and Miss Bessie Estes were married at the home of the bride's parents, near Pratts, Madison county, this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. Rev. W. P. Huddle performed the ceremony, after which an elegant supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman will reside at Mr. Hoffman's new residence on "Constance" Farm, half a mile north of Gordonville.

Run Into by Negro.  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
SALESBURY, N. J., December 24.—SALSBURY, N. J., December 24.—A negro, while driving yesterday afternoon, was run into by a negro driving at high speed through the streets and slightly injured and severely shocked by the accident. The negro dashed on the ocean side, falling bodily upon Mrs. Kluttz, who was greatly frightened. Officers went in pursuit of the negro, who abandoned his horse and fled into the woods. He is believed to have been drinking heavily.

ALL ARE JOYOUS AT  
CHRISTMAS' COMING

People of Petersburg Enter  
Heartily Into the Happy Spirit  
of the Festival.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
PETERSBURG, Va., December 24.—Christmas preparations and celebrations are the order of the day, and the streets are alive with shoppers and merry-makers, who are losing no time in the opportunities of celebrating the general holiday, which seems to include well-nigh all except the merchants and their clerks and salesmen, who are awaiting to-morrow with joyful anticipation of a well-earned rest. The Christmas trade, which usually makes its headquarters in the city to-morrow, has been generally humming during the past week, and the beautiful weather of to-day has furnished an excellent introduction to the Christmas Eve throngs on the principal business streets.

Christmas Eve, with special musical programs, will be held at all the Episcopal and Catholic Churches in the city to-morrow, and there will be church services and entertainments galore for the children at the churches of many other denominations.

Children at Elks' Home.  
A happier Christmas celebration than the entertainment given by the members of the Elks' Club to the children of the Methodist Female Orphan Asylum at the Elks Home on Tabby Street this morning, could be hard to find. The little girls, accompanied by the matron and several of the ladies in charge of the institution, entered the Elks' Club and were warmly welcomed by Professor Ribble, and were warmly welcomed by Mr. Meyer Saal in a happy speech, extending the Christmas greetings of the club to the children of the orphanage. The children sang several songs and were then invited to a table of good things, which were by no means neglected. Each was presented with presents by Mr. Wm. Keene, ruler of the lodge. Quite a number of ladies and representative Elks were present.

The Knights of Appomattox Commandery, No. 6, Knights-Templars, will at noon to-morrow observe their beautiful custom of participating in Christmas sentiments to the most eminent grand master, Henry Warren Ruggs.

Reserves His Decision.  
In the Mayor's Court this morning the Mayor reserved his decision in the case of Richard Staples, the telegraph messenger boy charged with cutting the Western Union Telegraph Company's office and stealing \$35.

Frank Williams, a boy injured in the freight wreck on the Seaboard Air Line Railroad in Chesterfield county last Friday night, died from his injuries at the Petersburg Hospital to-day. Besides the crushing of his left leg, necessitating amputation, Williams also suffered severe internal injuries.

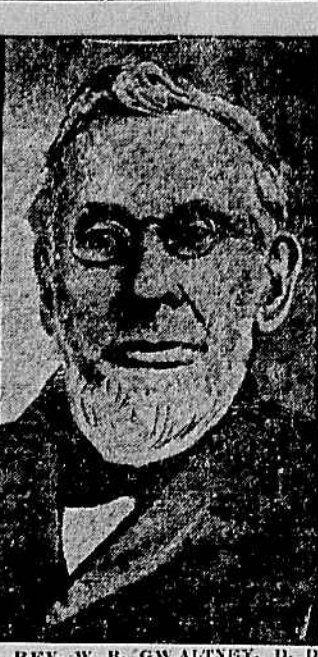
Weds Richmond Man.  
Miss Lillian Moody, of this city, and Mr. Ernest Gill, of Richmond, were married here at half-past 3 o'clock last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Stewart on West High Street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. L. Leake, of the Episcopal Church, which was held in honor of Mr. Allen Perkins was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Gill left for Richmond immediately after the marriage.

Mr. E. B. Sydney, president of the Petersburg Dry Goods Company, gave a delightful supper at the Bedford Hotel last night to the traveling salesmen and clerks of the company.

Put in New Machinery.  
The Swift Creek cotton mill have been closed for the holidays and for the purpose of installing new machinery. An expert machinist, representing the Howard Machinery and Manufacturing Company, of Providence, R. I., has arrived to superintend the work. Mr. M. M. Blanche, formerly superintendent of the mill, has accepted a similar position at Kingston, N. C., for which place he will soon leave with his family.

MELFRESH DEAD AT AGE  
WINCHESTER, Va., December 24.—AMOS MELFRESH is dead at his home near Springfield, Hampshire county, Va., aged ninety years. He was a wealthy retired business man, and was greatly respected in the public eye locally by Maryland and West Virginia relatives, having Hampshire County Court appoint a committee to manage his vast timber estate, which was being rapidly cut to pieces by outside parties.

SURPRISING CHRISTMAS GIFT.  
Young Roanoke Woman Presents Husband with a New Car.  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
ROANOKE, Va., December 24.—FANNIE LUCK, wife of Mr. William Luck, a Roanoke tax collector, has presented him with four children, two boys and two girls. Mother and children are doing well.



REV. W. R. GWALTNEY, D. D.

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SAVINGS BANK SUSPENDS.  
MEMPHIS, TENN., December 24.—"This bank is closed by order of the Chancery Court. C. E. McHenry has been appointed receiver."

The above notice was posted on the doors of the Memphis Savings Bank, one of the oldest institutions in the city at opening time to-day. W. MacIntyre, a well-known local capitalist, is president, and E. L. Menager, cashier. The bank carries deposits of over a million and a half dollars. Several weeks ago a statement was published that the bank had been heavily loaded with paper money, and that it was unable to pay its obligations, upon which it could not realize. This set many rumors afloat, and the bank inserted the following explanation in the daily papers:

"A misapprehension seems to exist in regard to a supposed loss made by the bank. The facts are that an unpaid maturity was immediately made good to the bank by certain of its officers and directors, and the bank sustained no loss whatever. The claim was bought at its face value by said officers and directors, and is their property. That it was realized that it will belong to them."

President Read, of the Memphis Clearing House Association, said to-day that the suspension of the Memphis Savings Bank would not affect any other financial institution in the city. He said he felt certain that the depositors in the Memphis Savings Bank would be paid in full.

Later statement was issued by the directors of the bank, announcing that the institution was solvent, and that the creditors would not lose a cent. It was said that because of the financial stringency it was deemed wise to close the bank for a receiver and liquidate its affairs.

Mrs. Longworth Nearly Well.  
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 24.—Mrs. Longworth has so far recovered from the effects of the operation for appendicitis, which she underwent on December 11th, that she will leave the White House Thursday for her own residence. For several days Mrs. Longworth has been able to go about her room, but as yet she has not been out doors.

Passenger Men to Meet.  
JACKSONVILLE, Fla., December 24.—A meeting of the Southeastern Passenger Association has been called for January 29th at Bellairs, Fla. Prominent railroad men will assemble at the meeting to discuss various matters concerning the winter travel.

Hungry As a Bear  
and Can't Eat

If When Meal Time Comes, You Suffer  
from a Yes-No Kind of Hunger,  
You're a Dyspeptic.

How to Cure All Stomach Troubles.

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## CHRISTMAS TRUCE IN RALEIGH FIGHT

Activities Largely Suspended  
Yesterday, but Big Meeting  
Planned for To-Night.

### PROHIBITION CLAIMS VICTORY

After a Careful Canvass Their  
Leaders Say Success Is  
Assured.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
RALEIGH, N. C., December 24.—The advent of Christmas has brought about a few hours' truce in the prohibition-dispensary campaign that has been waged with increasing vigor for several weeks. There were no meetings of prohibition workers to-day or to-night, nor will there be any more until to-morrow night, when there is being worked up a great mass-meeting to be held at the First Presbyterian Church, at which Governor Glenn, Mayor James I. Johnson and W. N. Jones, the latter chairman of the campaign committee, will speak, rounding up the forces for the election which follows on Thursday morning.

The executive committee in charge of the prohibition campaign has just completed a final canvass of the list of registered voters by wards, in which they gave the dispensary forces all the votes that are avowedly for dispensary and also that are doubtful, and claim that they still have for prohibition a majority of 300.

Something of a stir was made this evening by a signed article in the Evening Times by George B. Crater, publisher, declaring in pronounced manner for prohibition. The paper has until now been classed among the supporters of the dispensary. The Times has all along printed editorials with marked leaning towards the dispensary as the solution of the liquor question. Mr. Crater has been out of the city for two weeks of longer, having returned to-day. His article is continued from a "sore head" on the first page to the editorial page, practically all of which it also occupies.

The dispensary forces are continuing the campaign work of a personal character, seeing and talking with the voters, and they claim to be making steady headway.

Colonel Charles E. Johnson, one of Governor Glenn's close friends, and brother of Mayor James I. Johnson, who has enlisted with the prohibition forces, said to-night that every one must admit that the sentiment for the dispensary has grown wonderfully the past week. However, he claims that prohibition will win by a small majority.

The dispensary had one of its biggest sales to-day. The figures, however, are not yet available. It will remain closed now until after the election, which is placed Thursday, and the event prohibition carries it will not be reopened at all. The stock has been allowed to run down very much because of the election and the uncertainty of the result.

Rural School Libraries.  
Nine new rural public school libraries were authorized to-day by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and warrants on the State Treasury issued for the State's proportion of the necessary appropriations. The libraries are distributed, two in Raven, three in Sampson, one in Yadkin, two in Moore, and one in Pasquotank counties. Y. J. Johnson, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, spent Tuesday in Wilmington visiting the city schools of that place. He says he was delighted at the excellent conditions as he found them, and that Superintendent Crues and the teachers, the latter congratulated upon the admirable systemization and management. He was especially impressed with the fine school spirit, the air of order, neatness and refinement pervading the whole system of schools, and the kindly, cordial relations between superintendent and teachers and between the teachers and the students.

Arrivals From Belgium.  
A. Corvete and family, including wife and eight children, from Belgium, arrived in Raleigh last night, and will go to Grimesland, Pitt county, to-morrow, to settle on the plantation of Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimesland. They will undertake truck farming. They have been in this country about one year, and settled first in South Carolina, but were induced to come to this State by Oscar Van Dermersch, who has been appointed by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture an immigration agent.

An amendment is allowed in the office of the Secretary of State for the charter of the Southern Securities and Trust Company, of Gastonia, changing the place of business from Gastonia to Charlotte.

NORWOOD DEPOT ROBBED  
Bloodhounds Chase Prominent Citizens to Their Homes.  
SPENCER, N. C., December 24.—The Southern Railway depot at Norwood was broken into and robbed last night by unknown persons who escaped. Two hundred dollars held in trust by the Southern Express Company was stolen from the safe in the office. Bloodhounds were employed and chased four prominent citizens to their homes, the men having seen the scene of the robbery before the dogs arrived.

SANTA CLAUS PAYS VISIT  
TO NORFOLK'S FATHERLESS

NORFOLK, Va., December 24.—To-night a large delivery wagon loaded with coal was driven to the homes of children made the rounds, bringing happiness to the hearts of hundreds in the homes of widows. It was the Christmas Eve remembrance of the Norfolk Aerie of Fraternal Eagles to the widows and orphans of deceased members.

Appointed Demonstrator.  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
SALISBURY, N. C., December 24.—Mr. J. S. Hall, one of the leading farmers of Rowan county, has been appointed demonstrator of the Agricultural Department of the government, and will enter upon his duties January 1st. A meeting of the farmers of the county was held here Saturday, when Special Agent C. R. Hudson, of Alabama, explained the work of the department. The object of the movement, which means much to the farmers in this section of North Carolina, is to increase the yield of corn and cotton.

Postmasters Named.  
(From Our Regular Correspondent.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 24.—North Carolina postmasters appointed: Chapman, Perquimans county, Robert B. Miller, vice J. R. Griffin, resigned; Fairmont, Robeson county, Nathan T. Wilks, vice R. B. Thompson, resigned; Painter, Jackson county, K. D. Nichols, vice Dora B. Blesley, resigned; Col. C. Shaw appointed regular route 3 at Fayetteville, N. C.



The Sign of Quality.



WE are sincerely grateful to an appreciative public for a liberal patronage during the past year. May the coming year be one of continued peace and prosperity for all.

The Cable Company wishes you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.



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*Cortez*  
AND DO NOT WASTE THEIR CIGAR  
MONEY IN EXPERIMENTS

Hang Your Faith on  
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The greatest value given today in Virginia on Buggies, Runabouts, Surreys, Wagons and Harness.  
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Only the very best of everything in the Jewelry line.  
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That's why he KEEPS his old customers and daily makes new friends.  
If you need a Watch, Jewelry, Silverware or Cut Glass, don't fail to call on  
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Has been a most successful year for us, and we wish to thank our friends for their generous patronage.  
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With the largest and best line of Trunks, Bags and other travelers' necessities in the South, we hope to merit your favor during the year.  
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**In the Spirit of the Day.**  
Christmas time I have always thought of as a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time.—Charles Dickens.  
A merry Christmas—truly, heartily, we pass the magic greeting to you!  
Gratefully we thank you for that large measure of your trade that has made possible another most prosperous year and Xmas for the "Oldest Music House in Virginia."  
A merry Christmas!  
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